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PLAN FOR RATE REGULATION OF SMALL INDEPENDENT CABLE SYSTEMS

The Mid-America Cable Television Association, and a number of smaller independent operators, would like to see the FCC modify its reported plan for the regulation of rates of small independent cable television systems. Most of these systems have

systems that are "not-for-profit" and are subject to the same

It is our understanding that the proposed rules may provide for a low per channel rate ceiling for basic service and

fixed costs than do the larger systems. For example, I know of several smaller systems that provide 25 to 30 channels of programming at a rate for the non-pay services of \$15.50 per